# Overview of Consumer Product Industry Product Stewardship Programs

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#### **CSPA PRODUCT CARE**

Voluntary Program Started in 2001



- A "Code of Management Practice"
- Consumer Safety and Environmental Sustainability Throughout the Product Lifecycle
- Company Self-assessments and a Spirit of Continuous Self-improvement
- Biannual Training Sessions on Product Safety
   Management and Product Stewardship



### Scope of CSPA

# Products Designed for Household, Institutional, Commercial and Industrial Users

- Aerosol Products Division
- Air Care Products Division
- Antimicrobial Products Division
- Automotive and Industrial Products Division
- Cleaning Products Division
- Pest Management Products Division
- Polishes and Floor Maintenance Products Division



#### PRODUCT CARE PRINCIPLES

- Overall Concepts
- Product Design
- Raw Material Supply
- Manufacture and Production Site Management
- Product Storage and Distribution
- In-market Support, Incident Evaluation and Follow-up
- Consumer Education and Outreach
- Product Disposal



## Summary of OVERALL PRODUCT CARE CONCEPTS

- Protect employees, customers, the community
- Seek and value public comment on products and operations
- Provide information on safe and effective use, and health and environmental risks
- Encourage consumers to partner in appropriate use and disposal
- Work through CSPA with government and others to develop responsible laws, regulations, and industry practices to safeguard the home, workplace, community and environment
- Promote values to our contractors and other partners
- Commit to environmental and economic sustainability



# Summary of PRODUCT DESIGN

- Design products, packaging and labeling appropriate for intended uses
- Minimize potential harm to our employees, customers, consumers and the environment
- Evaluate products for health and safety to identify consequences of potential exposures



### Summary of Principles for RAW MATERIAL, PACKAGE AND SERVICE SUPPLY

- Have internal process for independent selection of raw material, package and service suppliers to promote product stewardship
- Suppliers will share expertise and information to assist customers in using materials and services safely and effectively
- Formulators will make full use of the expertise and information of suppliers to use materials and services safely and effectively



### Summary of Principles for MANUFACTURE AND PRODUCTION SITE MANAGEMENT

- Have systems to identify potential risks to workers, the community and the environment
- Design prevention measures to manage, reduce or eliminate those risks
- Have emergency response programs for facilities



## Summary of Principles for PRODUCT STORAGE AND DISTRIBUTION

- Establish procedures for handling, storage and distribution of products to protect personnel, property and the environment
- Have an emergency response plan to address risks associated with handling, storage and distribution



# IN-MARKET SUPPORT, INCIDENT EVALUATION AND FOLLOW-UP

- Disseminate safety-related product information regarding routine use of our products that is accurate, complete and in context to the inquiry or concern
- When product-related incidents occur, have systems in place to minimize adverse effects, assist consumers/customers and provide needed information
- Design products, labels, and educational messages to assist safe use



# Summary of Principles for CONSUMER EDUCATION AND OUTREACH

- Support public education programs that promote the safe and effective use of our products, and that help consumers put exposure and toxicity in proper context with hazard and risk.
- Provide appropriate training materials to assure the proper and safe use of products for commercial, institutional or industrial consumers
- Communicate appropriate environmental, health, safety and efficacy information and warnings to employees, distributors, and consumers
- Ensure that labels, labeling, bulletins, material safety data sheets, and other product information are designed to be accurate and not misleading



#### Summary of Principles for PRODUCT DISPOSAL

- Make products and packages compatible with municipal solid waste or sewage handling systems, encourage recycling of products, and support waste minimization
- Support programs of Integrated Waste Management (IWM), recognizing the roles of manufacturers, retailers, governments, and consumers in the cost-effective management of waste



#### **HOW PRODUCT CARE WORKS**

- Company voluntarily joins Product Care
- They attend training sessions in all areas (biannual)
- They conduct a self-assessment of their products and operations
- They set goals for improvement within various principles
- They work towards those goals
- They renew their Product Care commitment every two years and restart



#### **CSPA Goals for Product Care**

- Improve consumer product safety
- Highlight positive stewardship activities
- Improve performance against broad product stewardship objectives
- Raise consumer product safety awareness
- Encourage self-regulation
- Foster sharing and cross-training to improve company performance



#### **Other Product Safety Programs**

- Cosmetic Ingredient Review (Personal Care Products Council)
- IFRA Code of Practice (International Fragrance Association)
- Research Institute for Fragrance Materials (RIFM)
- Product Ingredient Review (CSPA)
- Alliance for Consumer Education (CSPA)



#### **Product Stewardship**

**Learning to...** 

Compete on product price and performance
BUT

Collaborate on product safety and sustainability



### Thank You

**Questions & Comments** 

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